

## ADDENDUM

CH-91

Locust Grove Farm(Burroughs Hall)

Charles County, MD

Tompkinsville

Cathy Currey Hardy, November 2001

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### 2. Location

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Locust Grove, now demolished is associated with 13590 Swindler Road, Mount Victoria, MD 20661. The site is associated with Charles County Property Tax Map 83 Parcel 60.

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### 7. Description

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Locust Grove was demolished not long after being surveyed by J. Richard Rivoire in 1978. In it's a place a one story contemporary brick dwelling was erected in 1982.

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### 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of Property 129.66

CHAS-91  
LOCUST GROVE (Burrough's Hall)  
Mt. Victoria  
Private

Circa 1815

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# MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY N&I #090015204

## 1 NAME

HISTORIC

LOCUST GROVE FARM (BURROUGHS HALL)

AND/OR COMMON

## 2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Swindler Road

CITY, TOWN

Mt. Victoria

☒ VICINITY OF Tompkinsville

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1st

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Charles

## 3 CLASSIFICATION

### CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

☐ STRUCTURE

☐ SITE

☐ OBJECT

### OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

☐ BOTH

### PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS

☐ BEING CONSIDERED

### STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED

☒ UNOCCUPIED

☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

### ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED

☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

### PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE

☐ COMMERCIAL

☐ EDUCATIONAL

☐ ENTERTAINMENT

☐ GOVERNMENT

☐ INDUSTRIAL

☐ MILITARY

☐ MUSEUM

☐ PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

☐ RELIGIOUS

☐ SCIENTIFIC

☐ TRANSPORTATION

☐ OTHER

## 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

James Puckett

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

3910 Rhode Island Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Brentwood

☐ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 20722

## 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Charles County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Charles Street (P. O. Box B)

CITY, TOWN

La Plata

STATE

Maryland 20646

Liber #:

Folio #:

## 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Locust Grove is a regionally characteristic Federal-style house of frame construction, three bays wide on the west (front) and east (rear) elevations and one bay deep at the first floor level of the north end. Entrance doors occupy the first bays from the north end of the side elevations. A third and later door was installed in the first bay from the south end of the rear elevation replacing a former window. All of the windows frame 6-over-6 sash. The first floor sash, though early, appears to be a replacement of the originals. A shed-roofed porch extends the full width of the west front.

The exterior of Locust Grove is dominated by a large double chimney with two-story pent at the south end. The chimney is of Flemish bond brick construction with tiled weatherings and free-standing stacks. Two small windows centered in the chimney, one at the first floor and one directly below the pent roof, light interior closets. Similar chimneys can be seen at "Timber Neck Farm" (CH- ) and "Chimney House" (CH-14). The gable roof, now sheathed with tin, has cornices with ogee crown moldings and reeded bedmoldings.

Partially covering the south end chimney is a later two-story fra wing that appears to incorporate a formerly detached or semi-detached one-story kitchen. An early (1940's) photograph of the house shows the same wing with an exterior chimney with stepped weatherings at the south end. This chimney has since been removed. The same photograph shows the wing to have had a porch extending the full length of its west side.

The first floor room configuration of the main block includes a side stair hall at the north end and two large south rooms. On the first and second floor the area south of the hall is partitioned into two rooms, each with doors opening into the chimney pent closets. On the second floor the front half of the stair hall has a small room that was later enlarged to provide a modern bathroom. In the attic there is a short hall with a small room toward the front and a single large room south of the hall.

Most of the interior woodwork is original and consists of two-piece window and door surrounds of an early nineteenth century profile. The trim is similar to that at "Linden", (CH-48; NR) near Port Tobacco. The stair, located at the east end of the hall, rises in four flights to the attic. It has a delicate, Federal-style balustrade with a mahogany rail, mahogany posts and square balusters. Shaped spandrels decorate the step-ends of the lower two flights. Most of the doors are original and of a six panel design. Those on the second floor are hand grained to resemble figured maple. Each of the four mantels, two on each floor level, has a molded cornice  
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## 8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

Locust Grove Farm (Burrough's Hall) is located on a 178.50 acre tract of land identified as Parcel 60, Map 83, Charles County Tax Maps (revised January 1976).

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

J. Richard Rivoire

ORGANIZATION

Charles County Planning Department

DATE

February 1978

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Charles County Courthouse

TELEPHONE

645-6537

CITY OR TOWN

La Plata

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

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shelf above a reeded frieze. The mantel of the southwest first floor room is particularly attractive and is embellished with carved sunbursts on the ends and in the middle of the frieze. The floors are of yellow pine laid in random widths and the baseboards are molded. The walls are of plaster over hand split lath with cut nails. There are no cornices or chairrails.

The wing, which was probably built in the mid-nineteenth century, has a single large room at the south end (apparently the original kitchen area) and a narrow hall and pantry in the area between it and the main block. The second floor is partitioned into two bedrooms. Access to the second floor is gained by a narrow stair between the first floor kitchen and pantry. That the wing as it now exists is later is evidenced by the fact that it partially covers both pent windows in the south chimney of the main block.





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LOCUST GROVE, View From S.E.

J.R.Rivoire, 1978



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LOCUST GROVE, View From S.W.

J.R.Rivoire, 1978